

**MINUTES OF THE
WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING TASK FORCE
AUGUST 21, 2012**

Members Present

Kay Brandon, Acting Chair
Bob Mays
Jim Lewis
Tony Davies
Mark Taylor

Staff Present

Dale Wyrick
Sheldon Smith
Jason Jernigan

The Waste Management and Recycling Task Force met on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 in the Plaza Level Conference Room of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, commencing at 11:05 a.m.

Acting Chair Brandon welcomed everyone to the meeting. She stated that there was not a quorum of members present; therefore, business items could not be addressed at this time.

PRESENTATION FROM BOBBI WATERS, COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIP:

Ms. Bobbi Waters, Solid Waste Planner and Outreach Coordinator for the Coastal Environmental Partnership (CEP), gave an overview of the operation of the Partnership along with background information.

The Partnership was formed in 1990 and operates as an enterprise fund. Their revenue is made up primarily of tipping fees. The Partnership encompasses three North Carolina counties; Carteret, Craven, and Pamlico. Ms. Waters explained that their landfill is located at Tuscarora in Craven County. Transfer stations are located in Grantsboro in Pamlico County and New Port in Carteret County. Garbage is transferred from Grantsboro and New Port to the landfill in Tuscarora. She stated that the landfill takes in approximately 665 tons a day.

Mr. Taylor joined the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Ms. Waters discussed the need for regionalization, financing details for CEP, and their yard waste compost facility.

Ms. Waters explained that in 2007 INGENCO began buying methane gas produced at the Tuscarora landfill. The methane gas is converted into electricity and then sold to Progress Energy. This represents a small revenue stream for CEP in the amount of roughly \$8,000 per month.

Ms. Waters responded to questions from members and indicated her plans to e-mail the written history of CEP to aid the Task Force.

Mr. Mays left the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

Members discussed the best way to facilitate a dialogue with the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NC DENR) to learn about current and future activity at the

state level regarding regionalism. Mr. Lewis indicated he was willing to travel to Raleigh to speak with a representative if a meeting could not be arranged with the Task Force.

Mr. Wyrick stated that staff will send a draft of the Waste-to-Energy Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to Task Force members for their review and comments prior to the next meeting.

There was a discussion among members relative to extending the term of the Task Force. Members felt that there should be an agenda item at the next meeting addressing the mission and goal of the Task Force.

The next meeting of the Task Force will be September 4, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further discussions before the Task Force, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Davis, Chair

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